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UTILITY PATENT
APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application of Mark ASHBY for DEPTH AND PUNCTURE CONTROL FOR SYSTEM FOR HEMOSTASIS OF BLOOD VESSEL.

- ☐ Applicant(s) hereby request(s) that the above-captioned application **NOT BE PUBLISHED** under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.211. The undersigned hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.
- ☒ Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure 8E for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.

Also enclosed are:

- ☒ 31 sheet(s) of ☐ formal ☒ informal drawing(s);
- ☐ a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 is ☐ hereby made to _ filed in _ on _;
- ☐ in the declaration;
- ☐ a certified copy of the priority document;
- ☐ a General Authorization for Petitions for Extensions of Time and Payment of Fees;
- ☐ an Assignment document;
- ☐ an Information Disclosure Statement;
- ☐ a patent application bibliographic data sheet; and
- ☐ Other: _____
- ☒ An ☒ executed ☐ unexecuted declaration of the inventor(s)
- ☐ also is enclosed ☒ will follow.
- ☐ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence --This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 to _ filed in _ on _; the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference.--
- ☐ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
- This application is a continuation of International Application No. _ filed on _, which International Application ☐ was ☐ was not published by the International Bureau in English on _--.
- ☒ Small entity status is hereby claimed.



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☒ The filing fee has been calculated as follows [] and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

C L A I M S					
	No. Of CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Basic Application Fee					\$710.00 (101)
Total Claims	44	MINUS 20 =	24	× \$18.00 (103) =	432.00
Independent Claims	5	MINUS 3 =	2	× \$80.00 (102) =	160.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$270.00 (104)					0.00
Total Application Fee					1302.00
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee					651.00
Add Assignment Recording Fee \$ if Assignment document is enclosed					0.00
TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE					651.00

☒ This application is being filed without a filing fee. Issuance of a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is respectfully requested.


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